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11. (C) Spanish MFA desk officer Maria Luisa Huibrodo received reftel demarche and said that Foreign Minister Moratinos strongly supported the work of the Special Tribunal for Lebanon (STL). She affirmed that contributions for Lebanon would continue to be a major component of Spain's foreign assistance budget, but could not give a specific figure on out-year support for the STL. Huibrodo said that she would convey our point on pressing UNSYG Ban to take all necessary measures to ensure the STL opens on March 1, 2009 to Assistant Secretary-equivalent Fidel Sendagorta.
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